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Applicant:	Adam J. Ferrari et al.	Confirmation No.:	4504
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Title:	SCALABLE HIERARCHICAL DATA-DRIVEN NAVIGATION SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR INFORMATION RETRIEVAL		

Commissioner for Patents
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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT (IDS)

Dear Sir:

This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed after a Request for Continued Examination and before an office action. No fee is required.

The present IDS is intended to replace the IDS filed on January 16, 2009. It is being filed in response to certain objections raised by the Examiner in the Office Action of February 11, 2009. Applicants believe that the January 16 IDS met all of the requirements of 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98 and the relevant portions of the M.P.E.P., but have nevertheless filed the present IDS in a spirit of cooperation.

Applicants note that the present IDS cites certain Office Actions from related applications and includes all of the references cited in those Office Actions, even though some of the references are already of record in the present application. In addition, Applicants note that the cited Office Action dated February 6, 2009 for U.S. Patent Application No. 11/271,036 was received after the filing of the January 16 IDS and therefore is newly cited herein.

Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner initial and return a copy of the enclosed Form PTO SB-08 with the next communication.

Applicant believes no fee is due with this response. However, if a fee is due, please charge our Deposit Account No. 08-0219, under Order No. 0109878.00124US1 from which the undersigned is authorized to draw.

Respectfully submitted,

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